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RESPONSE TO NONFINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the office action of February 19, 2003 please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks. A petition for extension of time (2 months) along with a required fee is filed herewith.

In the claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A computer-implemented method comprising:

 storing at least one acquisition specification of a first user represented in a scripting language that specifies acquisition requirements;

 parsing the acquisition specification into at least one purchase form comprising a plurality of attributes, at least one of which specifying a transactional action desired to be electronically completed by the first user;

 receiving over the Internet and storing offering specification comprising at least one vendor form comprising a plurality of attributes, at least one of which specifying a transactional action desired to be electronically completed by a second user; and

 electronically determining if the attributes in the purchase form are compatible with associated attributes in the vendor form by testing attributes in the purchase form against